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A COMPOSITE RARE-EARTH ANISOTROPIC BONDED MAGNET, COMPOSITE RARE-EARTH ANISOTROPIC BONDED MAGNET COMPOUND, AND METHODS FOR THEIR PRODUCTION

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- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
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# **STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY**

## References AA and AB on PTO Form 1449:

These references are discussed on pages 1 and 4 of the specification.

## References AM through AO on PTO Form 1449:

These references are discussed on pages 1, 2 and 4 of the specification.

## References AP and AQ on PTO Form 1449:

These references are discussed on pages 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the specification.

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These references are discussed on pages 1, 2, 3, 4 and 22 of the specification.

## Reference AV (JP 2001-76917) on PTO Form 1449:

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